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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

A response to the Office Action dated September 11, 2001 (Paper No. 10) was due December 11, 2001. A Petition for Extension of Time (two months, large entity) is enclosed extending the date to February 11, 2002. Therefore, please accept this Amendment as timely filed.

Upon entry of this Amendment, claims 1-6 and 8-22 will remain pending in this application. The amendments to the claims are for clarity or to correct minor informalities and are supported by the specification and claims as originally filed. No new matter is incorporated by this Amendment.

In response to the Office Action dated September 11, 2001 (Paper No. 10), kindly amend the above-identified patent application: